

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
For The Eastern District Of California**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

MONIKA LWS,

Defendant.

Case No. 1:25-pg-00019-SAB
)
) **WAIVER OF DEFENDANT'S**
) **PRESENCE and CONSENTING TO APPEAR**
) **VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE WHEN**
) **PERMITTED BY THE COURT (Limited**
) **Proceedings); and ORDER**
) **(Misdemeanor)**

Pursuant to Fed.R.Crim.P. 43(b)(2) and 43(b)(3), the Defendant having been advised of the right to be present at all stages of this criminal case hereby requests that this Court proceed in Defendant's absence on every occasion that the Court may permit, except for entry of a guilty or nolo contendere plea, trial and sentencing. Defendant agrees that Defendant's interests shall be represented at all times by the presence of Defendant's attorney the same as if Defendant were personally present and requests that this Court allow Defendant's attorney to represent Defendant's interests at all times when Defendant is absent. Defendant further agrees that an order to the Defendant's attorney that Defendant's presence is required at a particular hearing will be deemed notice to the defendant of the requirement of the Defendant's appearance at court hearing on the date and time ordered to appear.

As a result, the Defendant acknowledges that it is Defendant's responsibility to know of all future court dates and to stay in close contact with Defendant's counsel prior to and immediately after Defendant's hearing. Defendant also acknowledges that Defendant is required to update the Court and Defendant's counsel of any change of address and Defendant's counsel of any change in contact information. Defendant acknowledges that a failure to abide by any of these requirements may result in this waiver being vacated by the Court.

Pursuant to Fed.R.Crim.P. 43(a)(2), I hereby consent to appear via video teleconferencing when permitted by the Court.

Defendant acknowledges that a failure to appear at a hearing for which the Defendant was ordered to appear, even if the Defendant's counsel is unable to advise Defendant of the hearing, will result in the issuance of a warrant for the Defendant's arrest and may result in additional criminal charges.

I agree to the terms set forth above and agree to be in contact with my attorney and know that a failure to appear by me when ordered to do so, even when not present at the hearing for which I am ordered to appear, or when the hearing involves the entry of a guilty or nolo contendere plea, trial and sentencing will result in a warrant for my arrest. I also acknowledge that counsel will act on my behalf when absent from court proceedings but that I must be present when ordered by the court for a guilty or nolo contendere plea, trial, and sentencing. I acknowledge that I can personally appear at any hearing associated with my case if I so choose.

DATED: May 8, 2025

I acknowledge the foregoing.

DATED: 5/13/2025

DEFENDANT

DEFENDANT'S COUNSEL

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 43(b)(2) and 43(b)(3), Defendant's appearance is excused at any and all criminal proceedings associated with this case until ordered to appear.

DATED: May 14, 2025

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE